

St. Mary's Wollaton Park
Online kids' church, Sunday 14th June 2020

Good or bad words?

You put your thumbs up or down to show whether I was saying good or bad words to Ali. Can you think of some good words and some bad words that you have said today?

Our tongues are small but powerful

We checked our tongues and found that they are a small part of our bodies – smaller than our heads or hands or legs. But the Bible says they are very powerful because they can say good words which help people or bad words which hurt people.

I read from the Bible:

We all make many mistakes. If people never said anything wrong, they would be perfect and able to control their entire selves too. When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can control their whole bodies. Also a ship is very big, and it is pushed by strong winds. But a very small rudder controls that big ship, making it go wherever the person wants. It is the same with the tongue. It is a small part of the body, but it boasts about great things.

(James 3:2-5 from the Bible, New Century Version)

Horse riding

Henry pretended to be a horse with a bit in his mouth, and Ali pulled the reins to make him change direction. Like our tongues, the bit was small but powerful. You can play this game at home with a wooden spoon and string, but be very gentle on your "horse" because humans are not as strong as real horses!



We remembered that we all make lots of mistakes and say bad words very often, but God forgives us when we ask.

A prayer

We said sorry to God for the times we have said bad words. We said thank you for forgiving us when we get this wrong so much. We asked God to help us say good words and not bad words.

A song

We sang I Will Wave My Hands by Ishmael. Can you remember the actions?

Things to do at home

- You could play horse riding.
- You could pray to God and ask him for help whenever you feel like saying bad words.
- You could listen to some songs:

10 000 Reasons by Matt Redman <https://youtu.be/XtwIT8JddM>

I Reach Up High (Praise the Lord) by Elevation Kids <https://youtu.be/wXF-HAURxmg>

The Sorry Song by Spring Harvest <https://youtu.be/FewhrSZIs4>

One Step at a Time by Sovereign Grace Music <https://youtu.be/8SXxbjvKSjA>

These are all on a YouTube playlist at

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLdU24OqkUml6VG0nB5RbU0XaxvRE73y5q>